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Applicants: Nicholas Kim Hayward, et al. **Examiner:** Christine J. Saoud

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For: A VASCULAR ENDOTHELIAL
GROWTH FACTOR (VEGF) MOLECULE
AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SAME **Dated:** April 13, 2006

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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed December 28, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit this response for entry in the above-referenced case.

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